

Serial No. 09/863,254

Docket No.: 1538.1014

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Hiroyasu SHINO, et al.

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Group Art Unit: 3625

Confirmation No. 9281

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Examiner: Robert E. Rhode, Jr.

For:

METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR SELLING OR PURCHASING COMMODITIES VIA

NETWORK

REPLY AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

AND

REQUEST FOR AN INTERVIEW WITH THE EXAMINER

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

An After Final Office Action was mailed July 14, 2004. A Reply After Final in response to the After Final Office Action was filed on November 15, 2004. An Advisory Action in response to the Reply After Final was mailed on December 7, 2004, in which the Examiner reconsidered the Reply After Final and asserted that the request for reconsideration did not place the application in condition for allowance.

Therefore, a Request for Continued Examination is being filed, along with this Reply And Request for Reconsideration and Examiner Interview, in response to the After Final Office Action of July 14, 2004 and the Advisory Action of December 7, 2004. Before examination of the above-identified application, consideration of the remarks herein, including reconsideration of the remarks in the Reply After Final and the claims is respectfully requested.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this response, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.